

**Title II Project Application**  
**COOS BAY DISTRICT**  
**Resource Advisory Committee**

**1. Project Number** (Assigned by federal unit): CB02-MRA7

<b>2. Project Name:</b> Upland Habitat Security/Sediment Reduction Project	<b>3. County:</b> Coos
<b>4. Project Sponsor:</b> BLM Soil Scientist Dale A. Stewart	<b>5. Date:</b> 08/02/01
<b>6. Sponsor's Phone Number:</b> 541 751 4290	
<b>7. Sponsors E-mail:</b> dale_stewart@or.blm.gov	

**8. Project Location** Middle Fork Coquille Sub-watersheds (Big, Sandy, Upper Rock, and Remote subs)

a. 4<sup>th</sup> Field Watershed Name and HUC #(if known): Coquille River (17100305)

b. 5<sup>th</sup> Field Watershed Name and HUC #(if known): Middle Fork Coquille River (1710030505)

c. Legal Location: Township 28S Range 9-11 Section(s) Various

Township 29S Range 9-11 Section(s) Various

Township 30S Range 9-11 Section(s) Various

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d. BLM District Coos Bay

e. BLM Resource Area Myrtlewood

f. National Forest

g. Forest Service District

h. State / Private / Other lands involved? ☐ Yes ☒ No

**9. Statement of Project Goals and Objectives:**

To reduce access on current transportation system to provide less pressures on wildlife at the same time reducing the need to maintain roads deemed unnecessary for management. This will save maintenance costs, comply with our Resource Management Plan and in some cases reduce the amount of fine sediment generated from upland sources.

**10. Project Description:** This project will close roads that have been determined through watershed analysis to be excess at this time for management activities. Most roads are short dead-end spurs that access BLM lands only. Private roads only closed with permission of landowners. The pre-commercial thinning of the units have been completed or alternative access is available from a mainline road adjacent to the unit. Roads will have stream crossing culverts pulled and the channel backsloped to match the stream reach. The surface will remain graveled in most situations but some dirt spurs could be sub-soiled. Particularly in land use allocations of LSR. Waterbars or waterdips would be installed to route runoff water to the outside of the road surface, ditches would not be depended upon to perform the task. Blockage of the roads would occur with the use of rocks,

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guardrails or earthen berms depending on the need for access in the next entry. Those roads expected to service activities in the near future would receive rocks or rails, those with longer (10-20 yrs before next entry) times would be closed with earthen berms and planted with trees.

**11. Coordination of this project with other related project(s) on adjacent lands?**

☐ Yes    ☒ No    If yes, then describe

**12. How does proposed project meet purposes of the Legislation?** [Sec. 203(b)(1)]

- \*Improves maintenance of existing infrastructure. [Sec. 2(b)]
- \*Implements stewardship objectives that enhance forest ecosystems. [Sec. 2(b)]
- \*Restores and improves land health. [Sec. 2(b)]
- \*Restores water quality. [Sec. 2(b)]

**13. Project Type** (check one) [Sec. 203(b)(1)]

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|--|---|
| *Road Maintenance [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]  | <input type="checkbox"/> Trail Maintenance [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]  |
| *Road Decommission/Obliteration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)]                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Trail Obliteration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)] |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Infrastructure Maintenance (specify): [Sec. 2(b)(2)(A)] |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Soil Productivity Improvement [Sec. 2(b)(2)(B)]               | *Forest Health Improvement [Sec. 2(b)(2)(C)]                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Watershed Restoration & Mntc. [Sec. 2(b)(2)(D)]               | *Wildlife Habitat Restoration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(E)]               |
| *Fish Habitat Restoration [Sec. 2(b)(2)(E)]  | *Control of Noxious Weeds [Sec. 2(b)(2)(F)]                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Reestablish Native Species [Sec. 2(b)(2)(G)]                  |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Project Type (specify) [Sec. 2(b)(2)]:                  |   |

**14. Measure of Project Accomplishments/Expected Outcomes** [Sec. 203(b)(5)]

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|-------------------------------------|---|
| a. Total Acres:                     | b. Total Miles:    Approx. 15             |
| c. No. Structures:    0             | d. Est. People Reached                    |
|                                     | (for environmental education projects): 0 |
| e. No. Laborer Days:    120 approx. |   |
| f. Other (specify):                 |   |

**15. Duration of Project and Estimated Completion Date:** [Sec. 203(b)(2)]

Three individuals could complete the project within two months. Normal start time is beginning of June but could last as long as September due to wildlife seasonal restrictions and in-water work timing constraints.

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**16. Target Species Benefited:** (if applicable) This project would be a benefit to deer, Elk and other large vertebrates that require larger home ranges for solitude and protection. In addition, habitat connectivity for aquatic organisms would be restored.

**17. How will cooperative relationships among people that use federal lands be improved?** [Sec. 2(b)(3)] By limiting the access to roads seldom used by the public, monies spent on maintaining roads they do use will be more available. Preventing access to motor vehicles will not limit those that choose to walk these roads for recreational experiences. More than likely they will enjoy the benefit of limited access through the increased solitude, game sightings and a more rustic woods environment.

**18. How is this project in the best public interest?** [Sec. 203(b)(7)] **Identify benefits to communities.**

This project will allow BLM to focus on better maintenance of mainline roads and not risk erosion and sediment problems from old roads that are not needed now. This will allow a greater level of safety when driving these mainline roads. This project will provide areas that are accessible from mainline roads that individuals could hike for recreation experiences that are currently unavailable.

**19. How does project benefit federal lands/resources?** This project provides a place for large animals to range without the human interaction of vehicles. Fish habitat is more likely to receive woody debris routing through stream channels if not intercepted by roads or culverts. In addition the fine sediment that may be coming from some roads will be properly diverted to vegetated areas, providing a higher quality of water for their use. This project also assists the BLM in reducing it's Open Road Density as described in the Resource Management Plan.

**20. Status of Project Planning**

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|---|---|--|--|
| a. NEPA Complete:                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |  |
| If no, give est. date of completion: May 2002     |   |  |  |
| c. NMFS Sec. 7 ESA Consultation Complete:         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No            |  |
| d. USFWS Sec. 7 ESA Consultation Complete:        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> No            |  |
| e. Survey & Manage Complete:                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes            | <input type="checkbox"/> No            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable |
| f. DSL/ODFW* Permits for In-stream Work Obtained: | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable            |
| g. DSL/COE* 404 Fill/Removal Permit Obtained:     | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable            |
| h. SHPO* Concurrence Received:                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No | <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable            |
| i. Project Design(s) Completed:                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No |  |

\* DSL = Dept. of State Lands, ODFW = Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife, COE = Army Corps of Engineers, SHPO = State Historic Preservation Officer

**21. Proposed Method(s) of Accomplishment**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contract                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Federal Workforce |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County Workforce  | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteers        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify): Watershed Council Pilot Crews |  |

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**22. Will the Project Generate Merchantable Materials?** [Sec. 204(e)(3)]

☐Yes      ☒No

**23. Anticipated Project Costs** [Sec. 203(b)(3)]

- a. Total County Title II Funds Requested:      \$ 49,400
- b. Is this a multi-year funding request? ☐Yes ☒No      If yes, then display by fiscal year
- c. FY02 Request:      f. FY05 Request:
- d. FY03 Request:      g. FY06 Request:
- e. FY04 Request:

**Table 1. Project Cost Analysis**

<b>Item</b>	<i>Column A</i> <b>Fed. Agency Appropriated Contribution</b> [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	<i>Column B</i> <b>Requested County Title II Contribution</b> [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	<i>Column C</i> <b>Other Contributions</b> [Sec. 203(b)(4)]	<i>Column D</i> <b>Total Available Funds</b>
24. Project Development/NEPA		\$4,100		\$4,100
25. Contracting		\$45,200		\$45,200
26. Monitoring		\$400		\$400
<b>27. Total Cost Estimate</b>				<b>\$49,400</b>

**28. Identify Source(s) of Other Funding for Project Identified Above** [Sec. 203(b)(4)]

Agency appropriated funds may be available at some time in the future, but currently there are more restoration opportunities than there is funding available.

**29. Monitoring Plan** [Sec. 203(b)(6)]

- a. **What measures or evaluations will be made to determine how well the proposed project meets the desired ecological conditions?** [Sec. 203(b)(6)] **Who will be responsible for this monitoring item?**

**BLM Soils Scientist** - Implementation monitoring and effectiveness monitoring have been provided in the past on such projects. As new information is gathered on what measures meet the ecological conditions there have been changes to how and what is implemented on such a project. The District Soil Scientist and/or engineers will be responsible for such monitoring.

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- b. **How will the project be evaluated to determine how well the proposed project contributes towards local employment and/or training opportunities, including summer youth jobs programs such as the Youth Conservation Corps?** [Sec. 203(b)(6)] **Who will be responsible for this monitoring item?**

**The District Manager** – This project will be considered successful at emphasizing local employment and training opportunities if local contractors are hired to complete the road improvement work and if local contractors, high school students, YCC groups, or other local interest groups are trained and utilized to complete monitoring activities

- c. **What methods and measures of evaluation will be established to determine how well the proposed project improves the use of, or added value to, any products removed from federal lands consistent with the purposes of this Act?** [Sec. 203(b)(6) and Sec. 204(e)(3)] **Who will be responsible for this monitoring item?** No products removed under this project.

- c. **Identify total funding needed to carry out specified monitoring tasks.**

Amount: \$400.00

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**County Commissioner Concurrence**

(Majority Required per charter)

A majority of the county commissioners of \_\_\_\_\_ County have reviewed this proposed Public Law 106-393 project for the BLM Coos Bay District Advisory Council and agree with the proposal as submitted, except for the comments noted below:

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Attested by Commissioner

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Date

Comments/Rational: